

Yesterday, Congressman Blumenauer spoke at the General Services Administration (GSA)'s Listening Session on their new "Greening the Supply Chain" effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in federal agencies. This program was mandated by President Obama's Executive Order on *Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy and Economic Performance Sustainability in the Federal Government*. More than 50 local businesses and organizations provided valuable feedback to officials from GSA and the White House Council on Environmental Quality. As the nation's largest landowner, building manager, employer, and consumer of energy, the federal government can play a key role in reducing our nation's greenhouse gas emissions. Blumenauer pointed to the GSA's GreenGov Supply Chain Partnership as a perfect example of the federal government's ability to spur innovation and create jobs in the private sector by providing a huge market for efficient, cost-effective, and sustainable products and processes.